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¶1. (SBU) After receiving REFTEL talking points April 8, Jordan Civil Aviation Authority Director Hanna Najjar told us that he had "no problem" issuing a Notice to Airmen (NOTAM), but said he would limit the contents to operational instructions, ICAO provisions, frequencies, etc., removing allusions to the U.S. and coalition military forces.

¶2. (SBU) Najjar stressed other measures that the CAA was already taking, such as denial of entry into Jordanian airspace to aircraft without a flight plan and prior notice of entry. He added that the CAA mandates radio and radar contact 10 minutes prior to entry into airspace; failure to do so insures a military escort.

¶3. (SBU) The following is the modified NOTAM, issued April 10, by the CAA, available on the Defense Internet NOTAM System (DINS) at www.notams.faa.gov:

Advisory for All Aircraft Entering Jordanian Airspace

This notice is effective immediately and will remain in effect until further notice.

¶A. All aircraft should be positively identified by radar and two way communication before entering Jordanian airspace.

¶B. The timely and accurate identification of civil aircraft operating within Jordanian airspace is essential to preclude the inadvertent use of military force against civil aircraft.

¶C. All civil aircraft flying within or entering the Jordanian airspace shall continuously monitor one or both international emergency frequencies (VHF 121.5 MHz and/or UHF 243.0 MHz).

¶D. When an aircraft carries a serviceable transponder, the pilot shall operate the transponder at all times during the flight regardless of whether the aircraft is within or outside airspace where SSR is used for ATS purposes. All crews are reminded to continuously operate the SSR transponder in accordance with the ICAO provisions (PANS-ATM - Chapter 8, PANS-OPS, Vol. i, Part viii, and ICAO 7030 Chapter 8).

¶E. When an aircraft carries serviceable weather radar the pilot shall operate it at all times during the flight within the Jordanian airspace regardless of weather conditions.

¶F. The pilot should ensure continuous display of aircraft exterior and cabin lighting and illumination of logo lights, if possible.

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